

GOVERNMENT COLLEGE BHORANJ (TARKWARI)

INSTITUTIONAL BEST PRACTICES

Best Practice I (Reducing the use of single use plastic in college campus)

Plastic pollution is a real issue now a days as natural decomposition of plastic can last 400-1000 years and its few types can be non-degradable as well. Both recycling and creation of plastic produce toxic gases and residues which causes air water and land pollution. Its harmful effects are a cause of huge concern for everyone so to save our earth and to create a better future for our coming generations is a moral as well as social responsibility. Single use plastics also referred to as disposable are commonly used for **plastic** packaging⁷ and include items intended to be used only once before they are thrown away or recycled. The data for this disastrous single-use plastics problem paints a shocking picture. Eco club of the college took initiatives for identifying the reduced use of single use plastic in college campus as best practice of the institution . Following steps were taken by the eco club to curb this menace in college campus

1. An awareness rally including around 200 students was organized for creating the awareness on saving environment by reducing the use of single use plastic. The staff and students also gathered plastic litters in the college campus in a cleanliness campaign as a part of this rally. A pledge(read by head of institution) was taken by staff as well as students of the college for reducing the use of single use plastic in college campus or at home in every possible manner.
2. The college administration took following steps based on the recommendations forwarded by the eco club
 - i. Banning single use plastic bottles in the college. Instead of this using reusable water bottles has been promoted amongst the staff and students.
 - ii. Plastic (single use) bags has been totally banned in the college campus.
 - iii. Using bar soaps instead of liquid soaps has been preferred to avoid the plastic refill of liquid soaps.
 - iv. Prohibition of plastic cups and disposable plastic plates in college canteen and promoting paper cups and paper plates instead.





Best Practice 2 (Providing financial assistance to poor students)

Many times due to financial constraints many students have to suffer a lot and student do not approach teachers or college administration due to their inhibitions or lack of courage. To help poor students a very good practice has been opted by the institution. A student aid fund committee was constituted to work out on this plan of benefitting poor students. Every staff member has contributed Rs. 50/ per month for this fund. The task of committee was to provide the benefit to students from every stream by planning an unbiased criterion for it.

Following were the recommendations of the committee.

- i. Amount of the 'Student Aid Fund' scholarship will be Rs 1000/- each and applications will be invited from the eligible students
- ii. Merit will be the criteria of selection and only BPL certificate holders will be eligible
- iii. Scholarship will be provided once to the eligible student and they should not be the
- iv. availing any scholarship from any other source. They have to produce an undertaking for this.
- v. On the basis of strength of students in each discipline the committee decided to benefit total 16 students amongst which 4 students were from commerce faculty and 12 students were from science and arts faculty (six each).



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